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Super Bowl Weekend Traffic Safety

The Lake County Sheriff's Office will conduct special traffic patrols this Super Bowl weekend, cracking down on alcohol-impaired drivers, drug-impaired drivers, and those not wearing their seatbelts.

"Impaired driving crashes are completely preventable," said Sheriff Mark Curran. "We want everyone to remember it's a choice, and the choice is simple, don't drink and drive! If you do, you put your life and other lives at risk."

Undersheriff Ray Rose said, "If you plan on drinking alcohol while cheering on your team, pass your keys to a sober driver before the Super Bowl party begins. Always remember to buckle-up when out on the roads."

The Lake County Sheriff's Office reminds the public designating a sober driver before the party and not letting family or friends drive impaired are simple steps to help avoid a tragic crash or an arrest due to impaired driving. Other important tips include:

- Call a taxi or ride share service, use mass transit, or call a sober friend or family member to get you home safely;
- Report drunk drivers to law enforcement;
- Spend the night where the activity is being held;
- Always buckle up. Ensure every passenger is wearing a seat belt.

The Lake County Sheriff's Office Super Bowl enforcement effort is made possible by federal highway safety funds, administered by the Illinois Department of Transportation.

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